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In re application of:

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 22, 2002 ("Office Action") in
connection with the above-identified application, this response to which is being timely
filed, please enter and consider the following remarks.